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According to an Army survey, it now costs the Army \$996.28 to equip, clothe, and feed each man for a year, compared to \$257.27 a year, early in World War II.

In the light of current issues on civil rights, we recall the time George Jessel took Lena Horne, Negro singer, to a famous restaurant. When questioned as to who had made the reservations, Mr. Jessel replied, "Abraham Lincoln."

With a record number of births amounting to 3,908,000, 1947 proved the biggest single year of population growth in the history of the United States. At the start of 1948 the United States population was reported to be 145,340,000.

The Iron Curtain is not the only "curtain," according to the Russians. The leading German Soviet zone weekly *Sonntag* ran a series of articles on the unfortunate position of Belgium, the Netherlands, and other Western European countries who are "behind the paper curtain."

In compliance with the required loyalty examinations of scientists connected with the Atomic Energy Commission, a certain scientist was requested to appear before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington. After answering a few routine questions, he was dismissed and allowed to return home. Shortly afterwards he received a check from the office of the clerk of the House of Representatives reimbursing him for his travel expenses along with a covering letter which read: "Enclosed please find check on United States Treasurer, payable to your order, being the amount due you from this office on account of Un-American Activities."

